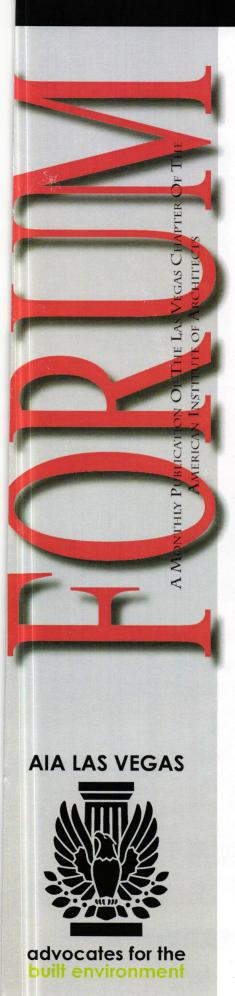
# OCTOBER 2008



# THE RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY OF VOTING

RIC LICATA, AIA - PRESIDENT, AIA NEVADA

Please take time from the election fury to become informed and not rely on TV's talking heads or radio talk shows. We need to understand that much of this is not news but entertainment. This present election is too important and the state of our country is too perilous to take this responsibility lightly. We must be able to cross party lines and rhetoric to focus on the issues and the work ahead. We must be engaged with our leaders and let them

know how issues that affect the built environment and create livable communities can provide solutions that will bring about sound economic and social well-being.

Last week I served on a panel after the premier of the Robert Redford documentary Fighting Goliath, a film about opposition to coal fired plants in Texas. After we were finished, and feeling good about the film and discussion we had, I spoke to a member of our state assembly who said to me, "Ric you know the state has no money, so any talk about tax breaks is silly, heck we are trying to just keep the lights on!" I thought to myself, is this kind of thinking going to do the job for the people of Nevada? Come on its time to earn your votes and get creative. What can the state do that won't cost money or raise taxes? Maybe it is time to look at other possible revenue streams! But the time is now to really do something for the people of Nevada. Unemployment in our state is rising and Nevada lead's the country in foreclosures.

Committing to a green economy will lead our country and state out of the economic mess we are in. This past week the Administration has proposed an economic bailout for some of the major financial institutions on Wall Street. To the amazement of all most everyone in the country, the Bush Administration, with the support of Congressional and financial leaders, have recommended a 700 billion dollar buy-out of bad debt from these companies. I for one thought this action was necessary, but my point is 700 billion dollars is same amount this country spends on oil every year, with 70% of those dollars going overseas to kingdoms and regimes that don't like us! We need to cut off this drain to our economic well-being now! Committing to creating a green based economic system for this country will do that.

Some things that we can do now:

- Outlaw incandescent lights now and replace them within two years. This will create jobs now; this will save energy now; this will help to preserve the environment now!
- Support the creation of a low interest loan program for commercial and residential energy retrofits and improvements with loan guarantees for renewable energy products and applications. These loans can be secured as performance based on savings on utility bills, underwritten by utilities. This kind of program will create jobs and get the residential construction industry going again.
- Extend the federal energy tax credits now (my hope is that this is done by the time this is printed) and call Reid, Ensign, Porter, Berkeley, and Heller and tell them enough already, just get it done! And tell them to make this extension permanent.
- Support utility de-coupling and peak use pricing to allow utilities to benefit from conservation measures, and to bill those high demand low conserving energy users appropriately.
- No taxes on renewable energy products' profits for products produced in Nevada for a period of ten years. No sales taxes on renewable energy applications for this same period. This too would create jobs and help stir the ailing residential construction market.
- Support the endorsement of rating systems and standards for green energy projects and products-a must for product compatibility and will help support incentive programs such as building department quick approvals.

This is the time for creative and tough leadership. I am still amazed at the thinking of our state leaders who eliminated the AB 3 tax credits because they believed they would lose millions in taxes. How can you lose money you never had? The tax credit would be on new construction and applications. With housing starts at a standstill and commercial construction slowing this could be the prime moment to tool up and train for the new green economy.

We must take the first steps and become informed. Secondly, **VOTE** and help those around you to vote. If you run or work in an office make sure everyone is registered. If you are a principal encourage early voting and allow paid time to vote. Encourage informed thinking and leadership. A green economy will mean more jobs in the design and construction industries, a stronger and more stable economy for our country, and greater opportunity for those in need of training for the future green collar workforce.

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AIA LAS VEGAS
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
MARK HOBAICA, AIA

Well, we made it through another summer here in beautiful southern Nevada. It always seems like the temperatures keep getting hotter each June through September, and this summer was no exception. October is finally here, and it always arrives in the nick of time just when our skin needs to begin its healing process from the scorching it suffered from the sun. October is also a true breath of fresh air with its crisp cool mornings and comfy evenings. Now is the time to start hanging out on

your patio or veranda to enjoy the outdoors once again and to start taking advantage of that place you call your "backyard" - even though sometimes during the summer you forget that it's actually part of your house and that it does belong to you.

October is also the month when we have our annual AIA Las Vegas Product Show. We've been hosting this event for more than two decades, and this year it'll be the best and biggest show yet as we're pleased to have joined forces with StoneExpo at the Mandalay Bay Convention Center. Please come to the Convention Center on Thursday, October 16th to view the hundreds of exhibitors from our local and national industry leaders who'll be displaying their products and services. Our AIA exhibitors start at 3:00 p.m., and your free registration will also allow you to visit all of the booths in the StoneExpo event as well. They'll also have continuing education opportunities throughout the entire day where you can earn your CEU's, but make sure you go to www.stonexpo.com to verify the correct time of each session and then register for the classes ahead of time since spaces are limited. This combined event has been nationally advertised, and we are definitely excited about the possibility of greeting thousands of Product Show visitors including all of you from our local Chapter. And, make sure you tell you co-workers and friends about it as well, because I know everyone is going to want to attend this year.

As a reminder, on November 7th and 8th we'll have our first ever AIA Nevada Design Conference. AIA Northern Nevada has done an exceptional job in preparing for this event and they've now set the bar for us to follow when we host it next year in our town. I just can't express enough praise to our AIA members up north for their persistence and dedication in preparing and organizing the milestone event. "TRIPTYCH" is its theme which means the Power of Three.

This conference will bring together the owner, architect and builder, and we'll get an opportunity to take a look at the dynamic relationships of each party working in unison, each contributing their creative skills and visions in order to achieve excellence in the completed project. It's bound to generate some intense discussions as I know it'll provide some opportunities for you to share your own challenges, hurdles, and successes that you've encountered in your own practice. So, I hope you get to join us during the round table discussions. I'd highly recommend you go online today to www.aianevada.org to register for the event. I know that once you view the agenda and peruse the picturesque scenery and the true beauty of the Resort at Squaw Creek, you'll not want to miss this weekend at Lake Tahoe.

This is also our opportunity to show some statewide support for the AIA and to uphold our "One AIA" mission that I spoke of earlier this year. On Saturday evening, we'll hold the Design and Service Awards Banquet at the resort. We had a big turn out this year with over 65 project entries, so with the competition heightened, I know the winning firms will soon realize the special significance of their recognition.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the Product Show on October 16th.

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# NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING



We've changed the date of our November meeting to Wednesday, November 12th in order to accommodate those of you who will be attending Greenbuild. AND, we've partnered with the UNLV Downtown Design Studio and the Klai Juba Lecture Series in providing JOHN NORQUIST, President and CEO of the Congress of New Urbanism, Chicago. This will still be a joint meeting with USGBC and all members are invited to join us.

John Norquist's work promoting New Urbanism as an alternative to sprawl and antidote to sprawl's social and environmental problems draws on his experience as big-city mayor and prominent participant in national discussions on urban design and school reform.

John was the Mayor of Milwaukee from 1988-2004. Under his leadership, Milwaukee experienced a decline in poverty, saw a boom in new downtown housing, and became a leading center of education and welfare reform. He oversaw a revision of the city's zoning code and reoriented development around walkable streets and public amenities such as the city's 3.1-mile Riverwalk.

At CNU he has joined local activists in numerous cities as a key champion of plans to replace freeways with boulevards. A leader in national discussions of urban design and educational issues, Norquist is the author of The Wealth of Cities, and has taught courses in urban policy and urban planning at the University of Chicago, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee School of Architecture and Urban Planning, and at Marquette University.

# **DECEMBER HOLIDAY CELEBRATION**

We are fast approaching the end of the year and that means ....our traditional AIA Las Vegas End-of-the-year Holiday Celebration. This year we will be decking the halls in the auditorium and gallery space of the beautifully restored Historic Fifth Street School, the location of our new offices on Wednesday, December 17, 6PM.

This special meeting is our opportunity to say thank you to all who have contributed to the success of our Chapter and our community, to celebrate all the wonderful accomplishments of 2008....and to anticipate the excitement of the coming new year. This year the festivities include a delicious holiday buffet, wine and champagne, holiday music provided by the through the help of the Nevada School for the Arts.

Also don't forget to make the season brighter for others by bringing your donations for Safe Nest. You'll be helping others in our community to enjoy a wonderful holiday season. We will provide a wish list of suggested items in our next issue or you may simply make a cash donation. It will make the holidays brighter.

Please make plans to join us and watch for the Order Form in our next issue.



# **CONFIRMATION OF YOUR RSVP**

The AIA Las Vegas policy on RSVP's for meetings is as follows: When you make your RSVP for the meeting (by phone or email), you will receive a confirmation from Kelly. If you are bringing a guest, please let us know the quest's name.

If you simply show up at the meeting without a confirmation, and you are not on the RSVP list, you will be charged for the meeting and will receive an invoice. Also, if you do RSVP for the meeting and then don't attend,

you will be charged for the meeting.

Please help us by providing your RSVP as soon as possible after you receive the first newsletter or email notice.



# THE 2008 AIA LAS VEGAS PRODUCT SHOW



Sponsored by MODERNFOLD OF NEVADA, LLC and in conjunction with STONEXPO2008

Thursday, October 16, 2008
3:00PM to 8:00PM
Mandalay Bay Conference Center
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See the Latest Technologies and Services Provided by the Nearly 100 Exhibitors in the 2008 AIA Las Vegas Product Show

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**AIA Las Vegas Product Show Schedule:** 

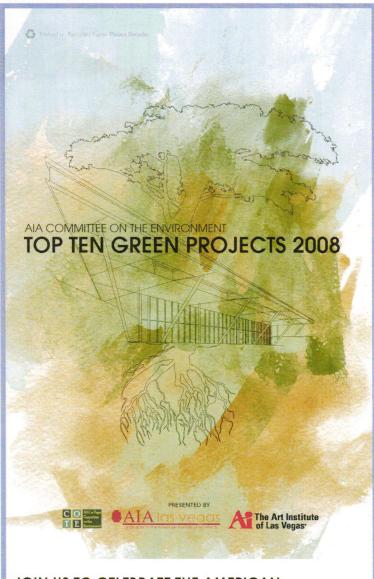
9:00AM to 10:30AM
"Avoid Design Disasters for
Heavy Commercial Projects"
Registered for 1.5 AIA CE and HSW Credits

10:00PM to 5:00PM StonExpo2008 Open

1:30PM to 3:00PM
"Joint and Application Treatment
for Natural Stone"
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1:00PM to 4:00PM "The Geology of Dimensional Stone" Registered for 3. AIA CE Credits

3:00PM to 8:00PM AIA Las Vegas Product Show Open



JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT'S TOP TEN GREEN PROJECTS OF 2008, ON DISPLAY AT THE ART INSTITUTE OF LAS VEGAS GALLERY FROM SEPTEMBER 8 - OCTOBER 20

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2350 CORPORATE CIRCLE HENDERSON, NV 89074

### **GALLERY HOURS**

MONDAY - FRIDAY, 8AM TO 8PM

SATURDAY, 9AM TO 4PM

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# IN MEMORIAM



We are saddened at the loss of our friend and AIA Allied member, Brooks Williams of Brooks Corporation, LLC. Brooks and his wife, Diane, were in a small plane that went down in Kremmling, CO on September 18. They were the sole occupants of the plane, with their two dogs, and there were no survivors.

Brooks was an active member of AIA and a great supporter of the design and construction community. He was well known and well liked by all who knew him and worked with him.

Brooks and Diane leave behind three adult children, Jacqueline, Melinda and Carolyn, all of Las Vegas.

Please join us in extending your prayers to the William's family, friends and company staff through this difficult time. The family requested that in remembrance, donations should be made to Opportunity Village, 6300 W. Oakey Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89146.



## **VEGAS VALLEY BOOK FESTIVAL**

The City of Las Vegas Cultural Affairs Office will host the Vegas Valley Book Festival this fall, November 6-8. The UNLV Downtown Design Studio and AIA Las Vegas are supporters of the event.

The focus of this year's festival will be on 'architecture' and the three-day event will feature nationally known authors, book signings, exhibits, lectures, films and round-table discussions.

The festival events are scheduled to be held in a number of locations around the downtown area including the Fifth Street School, Clark County Library, The Arts District and Centennial Plaza.

For a full listing of events, authors and speakers please check the October issue of this newsletter.





# COMMUNICATING & CONNECTING

The keys to any successful organization are communication and connections. To maintain a strong connection to our members AIA Las Vegas increasingly relies upon e-mail as a primary communications

vehicle. We are also employing many online and email resources in order to be certain that we are reaching our members and providing vehicles through which they can communicate with us. To be effective, members must be aware of how AIA information will be sent to them, so that they can respond as needed. Check out the following tools:

**ZOOMERANG** – Surveys, ballots and questions that need quick response may be sent to you via zoomerang. Watch for and respond quickly to these emails. *Please do not "opt-out" as it is not possible to reverse an "opt-out" and you will then not receive any future updates/communications sent using this site.* 

CONSTANT CONTACT – This tool allows us to send event reminders to you and will assist us in keeping our members informed of current happenings in the chapter. Please do not "opt-out" as it is not possible to reverse an "opt-out" and you will then not receive any future updates/communications sent using this site.

**EMAIL NOTICES & REMINDERS** – Membership meetings, C.E programs, and events that require RSVP response will be sent to you via email so that you can share this information with others in your office, and can RSVP your attendance.

**WEBSITES** – AIA Las Vegas and AIA Nevada have new websites, and each provides an abundance of information on the chapter. Please visit the www.aianevada.org site for information on Design and Service Awards Program, Legislative issues, Blueprint for Nevada and other statewide activities. Due to be completed/updated by the end of August, www.aialasvegas. org provides information on purchasing documents, publications (most importantly our online Directory and Resource Guide), sponsorship & advertising opportunities, and an updated calendar of events including the product show, membership meetings and CE luncheons.

**THE FORUM MONTHLY NEWSLETTER** – The main method of communication is mailed to members each month, and will also available online at www.aialasvegas.org when the new site is completed later this month. Advertising and editorial content welcomed. Go to www.aialasvegas.org for more information.

**ARCHITECTURE LAS VEGAS MAGAZINE**—This annual publication is a key communications tool with members, affiliated organizations, related design professionals and the whole Las Vegas community. Go to www.aialasvegas.org for more information.

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PLEASE UPDATE YOUR FILES!



# WWW.AIALASVEGAS.ORG

A new site for AIA Las Vegas should be live by the time you are reading this. On this new site, you will be able to RSVP for events by going to our calendar page, and pay online for event tickets, sponsorship and advertising.

A new addition will be **Member Profiles**, which will require each of you to go to the site using your username and password to type in necessary information. **Firm Profiles** will still be included as a benefit of membership, but we have added some new fields that you will need to go in and complete.

It is always a good idea to visit your profile quarterly and **update frequently** as business is always changing and the information from the website is used in our quarterly AIA LV Directory and Resource Guide.

Steps to get into your profile page will be sent out ASAP. We hope to also include a link to where you can find event photos from the past years. Be sure to stay updated on all Chapter news and events at <a href="https://www.aialasvegas.org">www.aialasvegas.org</a>.



# A SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO OUR BEAUTIFUL NEW OFFICES

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**UNLV and The Downtown Design Studio - ROBERT DORGAN** for Guidance and Assistance and **IBRIHAM KAKO** for our AIA Las Vegas Sign

**CURT CARLSON, AIA** and **SH Architecture** for Guidance and Assistance and for our Printer /Copier/Scanner, Microwave and Painting Materials



Frazee for Paint

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Indigo Architecture for our Shredder, Silverware and Glasses

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MORGAN LIVINGSTON & Ed Vance & Associates for IT Services & Computer Assistance

STEWART BAILEY & FLORESCO for an AIA Logo Sign in Neon

JEFF PYE for our Refrigerator

**RACHEL CLINE** for Art Consultation

RIC AND SHANNA LICATA for the Plant

# HIGH SCHOOL DESIGN AWARDS NEEDS ADVISORS

What are you doing this fall? Want to go to school....and help CCSD's young drafting students to learn, understand and appreciate architecture? Here's your chance.

Each year AIA Las Vegas hosts the High School Design Awards in Clark County's high schools. The Chair of this program this year is Yessa Renteria and she has designed a great "design challenge" to present to the students. (Please see High School Design Awards on the www.aialasvegas.org website.)

In order to make the program effective, we need architects and associates to work as "advisors" with each class and instructor and help them to understand and enjoy the process of creating architecture. If you'd like to be an advisor and help to inspire young minds, please contact Yessa Renteria at 702.435.1150 or yrenteria@pscarchitects.com.



# EMERGING PROFESSIONALS | YOUNG ARCHITECTS FORUM

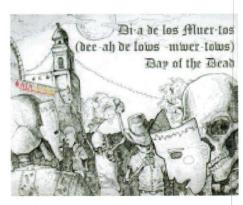
The EP/YAF represents the younger generation of the architecture profession, those who are aspiring to be architects and those

who are licensed less than 10 years.

The winners for the EP/YAF logo competition are **DANIEL CHENIN**, **ASSOC. AIA** with **TATE SNYDER KIMSEY ARCHITECTS** and **NEBIYOU TEKLE**, **ASSOC. AIA** with **JMA ARCHITECTURE STUDIOS**. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to everybody who entered! Thanks to those who made it a successful event... Lieutenants: JMA, Parker Scaggiari, Terracon. Captain: Carpenter Sellers. Major: SunStone Specialties.

The Forum is having a Day of the Dead Party on Saturday, November 1st. Similar to a Halloween party, attire would be costumes! Location: 5th Street School, Time: 6:00 PM, Tickets: \$30/person. Drinks and appetizers provided.

The forum is open to licensed architects, associates, interns,



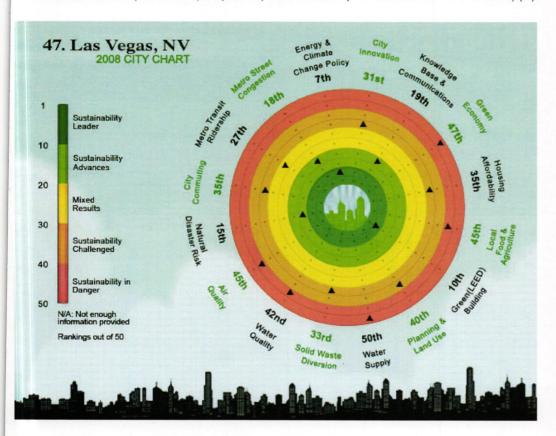
students, and even allied members. Being an AIA member is not a requirement. The next scheduled EP/YAF office meeting is on October 29 will be held at a location "to be determined". If you are interested in getting involved or in sponsorship opportunities, please contact Deepika Padam, AIA at 702.456.3000 or dpadam@tatesnyderkimsey.com.

# LAS VEGAS DROPS IN SUSTAINABILITY RANKING

Las Vegas fell 20 places to #47 in a sustainability index published by the website SustainLane. com. The ranking measures a number of categories such as street congestion, air and water quality, and green building (LEED certification). According to the index, Las Vegas ranks high in energy and climate change policy, green building and low natural disaster risk. Our issues with our tight water supply, metro street congestion, and air quality overwhelmed the positives and pushed us towards the bottom of the list.

The top five cities included Portland, San Francisco, Seattle, Chicago, and New York City. Among other desert cities, we ranked ahead only of Mesa, AZ (#50), with Albuquerque leading the list at #18.

We also ranked #45 (out of 46 spots) for Tap Water Quality and dead last for Water Supply.





# WATERSMART INNOVATIONS CONFERENCE & EXPO

Registration for the WaterSmart Innovations Conference and Exposition, scheduled for October 8-10 at the South Point Hotel and Casino is \$390.

Las Vegas locals can receive an additional \$50 discount off the full conference registration by using the code "local50" when registering. Locals also can receive an

expo-only admission of \$35 (a savings of \$40) by using "localexpo" when registering.

As the largest conference of its kind in the world, the inaugural WaterSmart Innovations Conference and Exposition will be the premier venue for showcasing new water-efficiency technology to industry and business from around the globe; building and strengthening effective, interdisciplinary relationships and establishing your company as an international leader in innovative water efficiency technology and services.

To register go to www.WaterSmartInnovations.com or, contact PIO Tom Bradley at tom. bradley@snwa.com or (702) 822-8365.

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SDA
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ACEC
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Council

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American Public Works
Association

ASID American Society of Interior Designers

SNASLA Southern Nevada American Society of Landscape Architects

CSI
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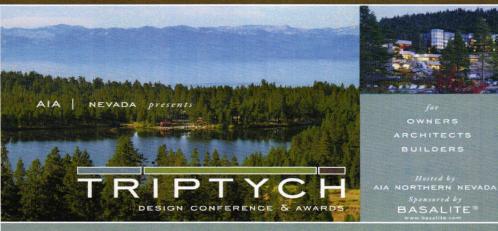
NAIOP National Association of Industrial and Office Properties

SMPS Society of Marketing Professional Services

SNHBA Southern Nevada Home Builders Association

> ULI Urban Land Institute

JLLV Junior League of Las Vegas



# TIME IS RUNNING OUT

If you haven't already registered for TRIPTYCH, better do so right away. The special room block at the **Resort at Squaw** Creek is due to expire on October 16th, and in order to take advantage of the lower rates you will need to register and make your hotel reservation before then.

Go to www.aiann.org to complete your registration. Don't miss this excellent opportunity to secure those valuable AIA CE and HSW Credits before the end of the year, and

have a great time with friends and colleagues in a beautiful location.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH

8 - 9:30am Beyond Green - Carbon Neutral

Schedule

David Eijadi, Faia, Leed Ap, Principal - The Weidt Group

10 - 11:30am Buildings Under Extreme Loads -

Energy & Impact

John D. Osterass, Ph.D., P.E.

Lunch & Learn - Digital Cities 11:30 - 12:30pm

Lunch Presentation

1 - 2:30pm Integrated Project Delivery - Best

**Practices** 

Robert J. Hartung, DBIA -Alternative Delivery Solutions LLC

Project-Practice Relationships -3 - 4:30pm Round Table Discussion

Walter Cronkite School Of

Journalism Architects - HDR Architecture &

Steven Ehrlich Architects Contractor – Sundt Construction

5 - 7:00pm TRIPTYCH Hour - Host Chapter

Party At The Village/Resort At

Squaw Creek

Acoustic Guitars By Ron Gaunt, AIA & Brad Van Woert, AIA

RESORT AT SQUAW CREEK SQUAW VALLEY, CA

The conference is being hosted by the

Northern Nevada Chapter and the theme "TRIPTYCH" means the power of three...owner / architect / builder...working in unison – each contributing their creative skills and visions in order to achieve excellence in the completed project. The conference will explore the power of the collaborative effort in the design and construction process, and investigate the contributions of each team member and the cohesive alliances that result in excellence.

The AIA Nevada Excellence In Design Distinguished Service Awards will be presented at the banquet to be held on Saturday evening, November 8th. Tables and tickets are available on the registration website at www.aiann.org.

TRIPTYCH will be two days of valuable AIA approved courses providing 8.5 CE Credits and some of the top speakers and architects in the country.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH

8:30 - 10:00am Design Driven And Excellence Is

Possible

Eddie Jones, AIA-

Jones Studio, Phoenix and Juror For 2008 AIA Nevada

Excellence In Design Awards

Noon - 4pm Tour Of Tahoe – Thunderbird

Lodge, Shuttle Provided Nevada's Most Prolific Architect With A Practice That Spanned Nearly 60 Years And Encompassed Over

100 Buildings.

Docent Guided Tour Led By Mella Harmon, Curator Nevada

Historical Society

5:30 - 9:30pm AIA Nevada Excellence In Design

And Distinguished Service Awards

5:30 - 7:30pm Reception & Silent Auction

7:00 - 8:00pm Dinner & Dessert

8:00-9:30pm Awards Program



# MIKE DEL GATTO HONORED WITH WMR YOUNG ARCHITECT AWARD

The 2008 Western Mountain Region Young Architect Award was awarded to Mike Del Gatto, AIA, a firm principal at Carpenter Sellers Associates.

This award recognizes those individuals who, at an early stage of their architectural career, have shown exceptional leadership

in design, education and/or service to the profession.

Congratulations to Mike for this well deserved honor!

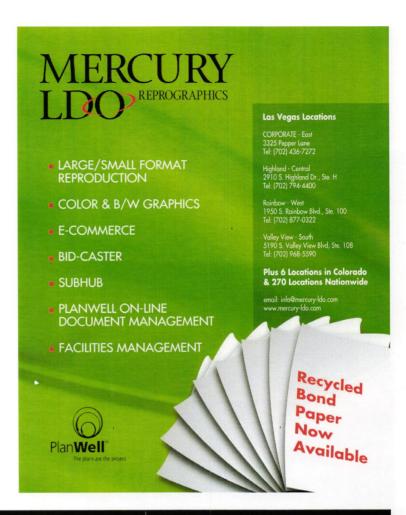


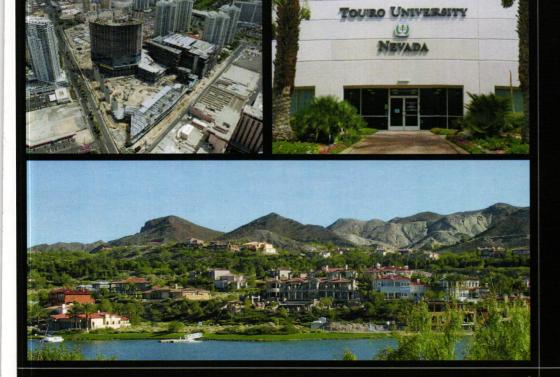
# **WMR CONFERENCE 2008**

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The 2008 AIA Western Mountain Region Conference – **Spirit in Architecture** – is being hosted by AIA New Mexico on October 23-25, 2008 at the new Santa Fe Convention Center in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Featured speakers will

include TRAVIS PRICE, AIA, RICHARD J. JACKSON, MD MPH and MARSHALL PURNELL, FAIA, national AIA president. Registration, hotel and travel information will be e-mailed and is posted to the www.aianewmexico.org website.





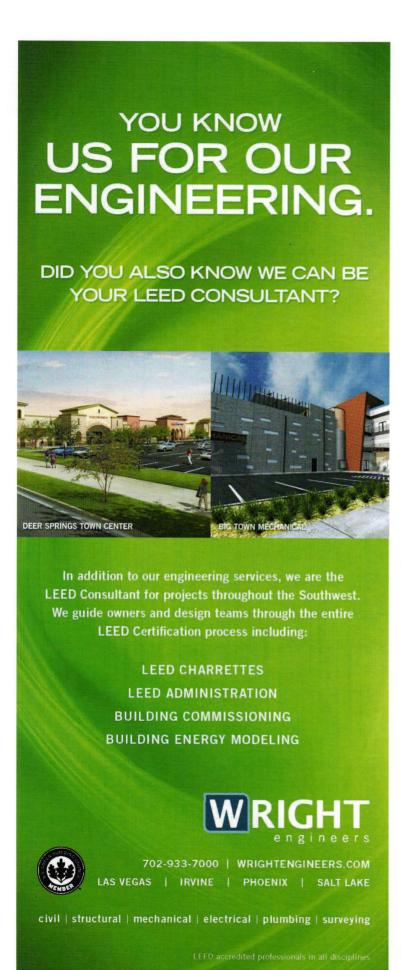
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# AIA DESIGNVOTE 08

### **DESIGNVOTE08**

This year, AIA Government Advocacy launched an initiative to encourage member engagement in the 2008 elections: DesignVote08.

DesignVote08 is a nonpartisan effort to mobilize architects to vote—while also providing opportunities to position AIA members front and center on public policy issues affecting the profession in the 2008 campaign and in the political arena for years to come. How you vote is a personal decision. DesignVote08 can provide information to help you make the choice that is right for you.

As a reminder, the deadline to register to vote in Nevada is Sunday, October 4 (by mail) or up to Tuesday, October 14 inperson. So please make sure your voter registration is current and join me in exercising your constitutional right to cast your ballot for the candidates and issues important to you on November 4.

Sign up for The DesignVote Note, a weekly insider's newsletter on the races with tips on how you can get involved, by sending an e-mail to designvote@aia.org with the subject line, Sign Me Up.

# **REGISTERING TO VOTE**

### WHO CAN REGISTER TO VOTE?

Nevada law provides that you must be 18 years of age or over, a U.S. Citizen, and a resident of Nevada for 30 days preceding any election. Any person who has been declared by a court to be mentally incompetent is not eligible to register and vote. Felons who have not been restored to their civil rights are not eligible to register and vote; however, recent legislation has provided for automatic restoration of the right to vote for those who have been honorably discharged from prison, probation or parole, with certain exceptions related to the seriousness of the crime committed.

### WHERE CAN I REGISTER TO VOTE?

Residents of Nevada can register to vote at any NV Department of Motor Vehicles office, at their County Clerk/Registrar of Voters' office, various social service agencies and on college campuses.

### CAN I REGISTER TO VOTE ONLINE?

Nevada law does not provide for online voter registration. However, you may obtain a copy of the federal voter registration application online at:

http://www.eac.gov/files/voter/nvra-update-09-12-06.pdf.

What are the Deadlines for REGISTERING IF I WANT TO VOTE IN THE 2008 ELECTIONS? General Election: October 4, 2008, if you register to vote by mail. October 14, 2008, if you register to vote in person.

WHAT IS THE ELECTION DATE FOR THE 2008 GENERAL ELECTIONS? November 4, 2008.



# "WALK THE WALK" THE NEXT STEP

The AIA national advertising campaign "Walk the Walk" positions architects as the "go-to" experts on sustainability to help affect change and improvement for the environment. In support of the

campaign and to equip members with an informational tool, GreenStep, a series of twelve Webisodes on the benefits of green architecture and choosing an AIA Architect, launched the first episode at the beginning of July and will feature a new one biweekly until December 8. To view, go to the "Walk the Walk" homepage.



# WHY HAVEN'T YOU TAKEN THE PLEDGE YET?

At the beginning of the year, AIA Las Vegas issued a challenge to all AIA Members asking them to go to the www.

architecture 2030.com site and take the pledge to work toward building a more sustainable world.

We want to be the first AIA Chapter to have all members take the pledge and several have already done so. But not all. We're wondering why? Is it because you do not believe your commitment will make a difference? Do you believe that together we can achieve carbon neutrality by 2030? Whatever the reason won't you please let us know. Perhaps there is some clarification or information we can provide.

There are almost 1,000 AIA members in Nevada .... Let's join together and take the pledge. It's good for all of us.



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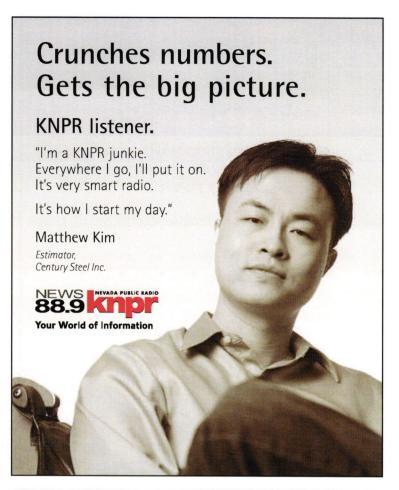
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# LUCCHESI GALATI NAMED GREEN CORPORATION OF THE YEAR

Lucchesi Galati Architecture, Inc. was named Green Corporation of the Year at the Las Vegas Business Press' inaugural Green Awards ceremony. Jeff Roberts, AIA, a principal with the firm, accepted the award on behalf of the firm.

Sustainability is one of Lucchesi Galati's overarching philosophies. It represents a choice to engage life symbiotically – to steward nature, organization and community for tomorrow's generations. All of Lucchesi Galati's projects and designs have a root in sustainable living and "green" design. Most notable recent projects include the LEED Certified Las Vegas Springs Preserve master plan

and the LEED Platinum certified Desert Living Center and Gardens.

But Lucchesi Galati doesn't just incorporate green design and architecture facets into its largest projects. The company incorporates them into all their projects, including the Otto Merida Desert



Villas, a low-income housing development. The development's "green" design along with its inviting appearance earned the complex a National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials Merit Award for housing and community development in 2007.



# THIRD ANNUAL MAYOR'S URBAN DESIGN AWARDS

The city of Las Vegas will again honor exceptional urban design through the third annual Mayor's Urban Design Awards (MUDA). Nominations for the awards, which will recognize projects that

foster the city's commitment to sustainability and livability, are being accepted Sept. 2 through Oct. 30, 2008.

Nomination forms are available online at www.lasvegasnevada. gov/planning. Anyone is invited to nominate projects, however the project must be located within city limits and be completed by Dec. 31, 2008, to qualify for the award.

The awards recognize projects that cultivate walkways and streets that are shared public spaces, promote safety, conserve resources, preserve historic buildings and places, seamlessly link to their surroundings and are pedestrian friendly. The four categories are buildings and their environs, public places, historic preservation and public art.

The awards will be presented at the State of the City address in January 2009 by Mayor Oscar B. Goodman.

For more information about the MUDA award nomination process, please contact Urban Design Coordinator Yorgo Kagafas, AICP, at 702,229,6196.

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# CE'S BEING OFFERED AT THE AIA NEVADA DESIGN CONFERENCE

The AIA Nevada statewide Excellence in Design Awards Program has expanded into a statewide Design Conference. It is planned to provide exceptional opportunities for all members of the design and architectural communities in Nevada to celebrate design excellence AND secure those valuable AIA C.E. and HSW credits before the end of the year.

This year's conference is themed "TRIPTYCH-a Design Conference and Awards program for Owners, Builders and Architects". Scheduled for November 7 & 8, the conference and awards banquet will be held at the Resort at Squaw Creek. TRIPTYCH will be two days of valuable AIA CE approved courses providing 8.5 CEU and HSW Credits.

To register for TRIPTYCH or get more information, go to www.aiann.org.

# ARCHITECTURE STUDENTS & RECENT GRADS LOOKING FOR INTERN OPPORTUNITIES

AIA Las Vegas has received several calls from UNLV students who are seeking firms that have intern positions available. If you have intern positions currently available and would like us to refer these inquiries to your firm, please contact Debi Raffi at draffi@ aianevada,org or call 702.895.0936.



# TRACK YOUR C.E. CREDITS

Last year, through membership meetings, lunchtime learning, and various events, AIA Las Vegas provided 33 different opportunities for members to get their required LU's and HSW's. If you had attended them all you

would have accumulated 42.5 LU's and 33 HSW credits. That is more than sufficient to maintain your AIA membership and to meet the requirements of most states for licensure renewal.

In 2008, we have planned several more events to provide more C.E. opportunities. AIA Las Vegas makes it very easy for you to meet your requirements. All you have to do is sign-in (and signout) at each of the C.E. programs just to verify your attendance. Your attendance is then registered with AIA National and your credits are recorded.

All of the programs provided by the Chapter are registered with the AIA Continuing Education Division. You can easily check the progress of your credits by going to the aia.org website, select the continuing education button, enter your member number and you will have a complete listing of your C.E. and HSW Credits.

And don't forget.....You should keep a record of each one of the C.E. programs you attend so that you can compare it with your online record at AIA National. That way you'll always know exactly how many credits you have earned.



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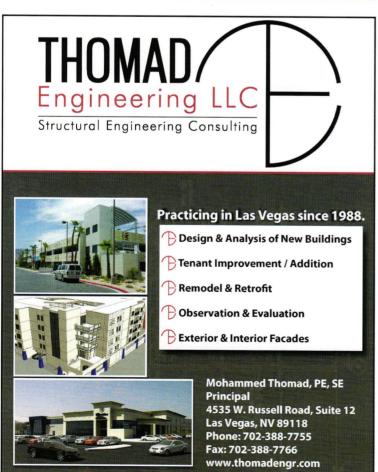
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# UNLV ARCHITECTURE STUDIES LIBRARY

School of Architecture Student Art Show Now up in the Architecture Studies Library through Oct 20. Students and

others are enjoying seeing the design talent in the school in non-school related expression. For a preview see the thumbnails we have on the ASL web site at http://www.library.unlv.edu/arch/events/sasfall2008/. Note that some items are for sale.

# SUSTAINABILITY

We have a new guide to Sustainability http://guides.library.unlv.edu/content.php?pid=11670. "LibGuide" in addition to pointing you to articles, web sites and books, will also highlight sustainability efforts at UNLV such as **PRESIDENT ASHLEY**'s recent State of the University speech: http://president.unlv.edu/sotu2008.html

Excerpr: "At last year's convocation address, we discussed sustainability as a core value of UNLV. Driven by strong student interest, we formed the UNLV Sustainability Task Force last year. This task force included students, faculty, and administrators, and represented a cross-section of campus. The first mission of the Task



UNLV PRESIDENT DAVID ASHLEY
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Force was to assess the environmental landscape of our institution. Together, they focused on four key areas: resources, livability, academics, and connections to the community. They returned to me with an extensive outline of action items, including efforts to be undertaken immediately...and into the next decade."

"Proper stewardship of the planet...as we all know...is a longterm proposition. But every plan for environmental stewardship must be both immediate and forward-looking. Therefore, here are the actions we will be taking this year. We will enact the first official sustainability policy for UNLV later in the academic year. I also recently signed the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment letter...which puts UNLV among the leading institutions dedicated to reducing greenhouse emissions 80 percent by the middle of this century. We have within the last month appointed a sustainability coordinator to help put our policies in motion...and we have just completed a comprehensive carbon footprint inventory. We will also partner with campus departments to embrace sustainability in our purchasing efforts. This includes formally adopting a purchasing policy requiring Energy Star-rated products in all available categories. Additionally, we will incorporate sustainability requirements into formal contracts. This way, we can ensure our vendors maintain the same commitment to the planet we do. Expect further efforts, including the finalization of a campus, multi-modal transportation plan...and a greater emphasis on sustainability-related research and development in our labs. Furthermore, in the course of 2008 and 2009, we will commit to programs that will help make UNLV a central resource on sustainability for the entire community. As part of this, we have already experienced great success hosting sustainability conferences on our campus. Protecting our planet now and into the future...today...we are committing to this action."

# 2008 CE LUNCHEONS

October 30 - Cancelled

November 13 - "Integrating Fire Protection Into the Building Design" will be presented by Edward Goldhammer, P.E. of Schirmer Engineering. The Luncheon will be held at Gordon Biersch.

December 11 - Hosted by Nathan Emens and Terracon. Program and Location TBA

# **FALL 2008 KLAI JUBA LECTURE SERIES**

All lectures will be held at the new UNLV School of Architecture Downtown Design Center at the Fifth Street School, 401 South 4th Street, Las Vegas, NV. Reception 6pm | Lecture 7pm

# OCT 1 | STEVE VAN GORP

DEPUTY DIRECTOR - LAS VEGAS REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

### OCT 15 | KENNEDY LAWSON SMITH

DIRECTOR - COMMUNITY LAND USE ECONOMICS GROUP (THE CLUE GROUP), ALEXANDRIA, VA

### OCT 29 | RONALD H.L.M. RAMSAY

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN - NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

# NOV 6 | MATTHEW COOLIDGE

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### NOV 7 | CHRIS WILSON

J.B. JACKSON PROFESSOR OF CULTURAL LANDSCAPE, UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

# **NOV 12 | JOHN NORQUIST**

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# CE'S BEING OFFERED AT THE AIA LV PRODUCT SHOW

HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH STONEXPO 2008

We've created even greater learning experiences for you this year by partnering with the StonExpo 2008. The AIA Las Vegas Product Show will be held on Thursday, October 16th in the South Pacific Ballroom at Mandalay Bay Conference Center.

See the latest technologies and services provided by the nearly 100 Exhibitors at the 2008 AIA Las Vegas Product Show, learn about the latest innovations in stone and surface products, and get as many as 6 AIA CE & HSW Credits by attending the following classes:

"Avoid Design Disasters for Heavy Commercial Projects" - 1.5 AIA CE and HSW Credits

"Joint and Application Treatment for Natural Stone" - 1.5 AIA CE and HSW Credits

"The Geology of Dimensional Stone" - 3 AIA CE Credits

Register for free admittance to the AIA Las Vegas Product Show, the StonExpo 2008 Show and sign up for CE classes at www.stonexpo.com today!

### ARE 4.0 "BUILDING SYSTEMS" CLASSES

We are offering ARE classes with Wright Engineers once again hosting. The classes have been updated to the new format of ARE 4.0. Whether you attended the last classes or not, join us to refresh your Mechanical, Electrical, Fire and Acoustics knowledge before you take the Building Systems exam. Sample questions will be solved during the classes.

Time of all classes - 6:00 - 8:00 PM

### SCHEDULE:

October 8th

Mechanical - Presenter: Karl Petroff, PE, LEED AP

October 14th

Mechanical - Presenter: Karl Petroff, PE, LEED AP

October 22nd

8 0 Electrical - Presenter: David Rushforth, PE, LEED AP November 5th

Electrical - Presenter: David Rushforth, PE, LEED AP

November 11th

Fire and Acoustics - Presenter: TBA

### LOCATION:

5th Street School Gallery Space 401 S. 4th Street, Downtown Las Vegas

# ATTENDANCE FEES:

AIA/Associate AIA members: FREE

Non-AIA members: One-time payment of \$25 for the series

### RSVP:

Deepika Padam, AIA at dpadam@tatesnyderkimsey.com



# IN THE NEWS

# **NEWS BRIEFS**



DAVE PUGSLEY, AIA

Pugsley. Simpson. Coulter. is the new name for Welles Pugsley Architects, a venerable Las Vegas architectural firm that traces its antecedents back to its founder, DAVE WELLES, who began practicing architecture in the Valley forty years ago. The firm has been doing business as Welles Pugsley for twenty years. The forty and twenty year anniversaries provided some of the impetus for the name change, which was announced today and is effective immediately.





WADE SIMPSON, AIA

SEAN COULTER, AIA

According to Dave Pugsley, the name change reflects the current structure of the firm "Architecture is a very dynamic field, and, certainly, our firm has evolved and grown over the years. We felt the firm's name should include all three principals who are active in the firm's day-to-day operations. Of course, we're proud of our reputation for innovative design and excellent client service. We will continue to sustain and build on that reputation as we move forward with the new name."

**DEBBIE LANDRY**, Publisher of **Builder/Architect** and **Commercial Builder/Architect** Magazine's is proud to announce the upcoming 'special edition' issue of Women in Construction.

From residential to commercial construction women from all industries in construction are welcomed to participate in this special issue that will launch by early 2009.

If you're a builder, architect, designer, developer, realtor, marketing and sales or any other professional in the construction industry, they want to hear from you.

Please call 592-4818 or email: dlandry@builderarchitect.com for more details on how you and your business can be involved.

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Thursday, October 16, 2008 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Please RSVP at rsvpvegas@arizonatile.com or (702) 364.2199 option 6 by Thursday, October 6. ANNE JOHNSON AIA (formerly JE Ecostudio) has relocated her studio to Henderson where she continues to integrate sustainable practices into client-centered graphic, residential, commercial and civic projects. Services include design and LEED consulting.

New contact information:

Anne Johnson AIA, 2245 N Green Valley Pkwy , Suite 659, Henderson, NV 89014 phone: (702) 553-3323 fax: (702) 995-9245

email: ajohnson@ajarchitect.com

http://www.ajarchitect.com

More big news from AIA Las Vegas member Anne Johnson... she welcomes her son, Jasper Berry Johnson-Loe, born August 15, 2008 coming in at 7 lbs 2 oz. Congratulations to Anne!



THOMAD ENGINEERING has announced the successful completion of the MGM Grand Pavilion Trade Show Building. THOMAD provided full structural engineering services for the project which consists of new single tall story convention trade show space with approximately 102,000 SF of steel framed structure and frames with clear span of 240 feet. Steelman Pariners served as the project architect and Thor Construction was the general contractor.



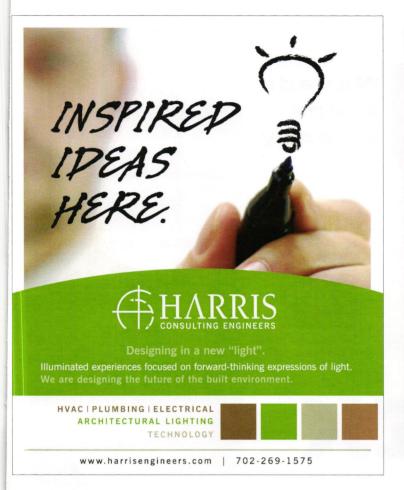
JVC ARCHITECTS recently announced the company promoted ALAIN RIVARD, AIA to the position of architect.

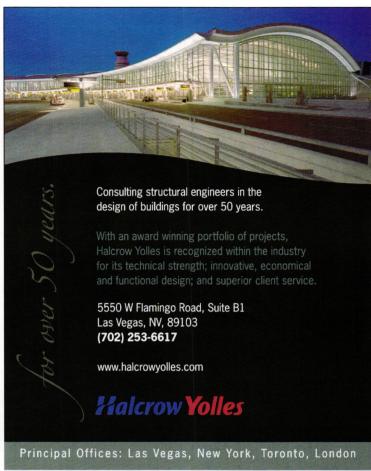
Rivard passed all of the qualifying exams from the Nevada State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design. He was sworn in at a ceremony on Wednesday, Aug. 13.

In 1998, Rivard began his architectural career when he joined JVC as a drafter, eventually rising through the ranks to become a project manager. He has achieved numerous business accomplishments during his career with the company, managing award-winning projects such as Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Ely, Nev. and Lake Mead Christian Academy in Henderson, Nev.

Rivard received his Bachelor of Architecture in 2002 and his Master of Architecture in 2004 from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. He is an associate member of the American Institute of Architects and for the past four years, has been a Cub Scout leader for the Boy Scouts of America.

Ninyo & Moore is providing Quality Assurance/Quality Control grading observation, and materials testing and inspection services for the Lou Ruvo Alzheimer's Institute project located in Las Vegas. The project includes construction of a five-story 67,000 square-foot facility, of which approximately 31,000 square feet will be devoted to Clinical Care, including diagnostics, neuroimaging, and clinical research. The institute will also have a 500-seat banquet hall, a Wolfgang Puck kitchen and cafe, and a two-story, 7,000 square-foot "Museum of the Mind" that will feature Smithsonian-style exhibits. This project is estimated for completion in 2008.







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